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Application No.:

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Inventors:

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Title:

Automated Material Handling System for a Manufacturing Facility

Divided into Separate Fabrication Areas

Examiner:

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Group/Art Unit:

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**Box Non-Fee Amendment** Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of September 5, 2002, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

## **REMARKS**

Claims 16-22 remain pending in the application. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.